

NEW YEAR STRIKES FLEET HOUR BEFORE IT REACHES CAPITAL

Naval Observatory Signals Show Time in Various Parts of World.

Arrival of New Year

The new year begins at (Eastern Standard time):

Guam	December 31, 5:30 a.m.
Manila	11 a.m.
Porto Rico	10 p.m.
Battlefleet	10:40 p.m.
San Juan, Porto Rico	11 p.m.
Eastern United States and Panama	midnight
Mississippi Valley	January 1, 1 a.m.
Rocky Mountain region	2 a.m.
Pacific Coast States	3 a.m.
Sitka, Alaska	4 a.m.
Honolulu	5:30 a.m.
Tutuila, Samoa	6:30 a.m.

The beginning of the New Year will be flashed to Admiral Evans and the torpedo flotilla on the high seas, as well as to all parts of the United States by the Naval Observatory. Four separate series of signals will be sent out, at intervals of exactly one hour on Tuesday night. The New Year will be flashed, according to the time belts in which the cities are located. The time belts are Eastern, central, mountain, and Pacific.

The first series will begin at 11:55 p. m., December 31, Eastern time, and end exactly at midnight, the system followed being the same as that in use daily at noon. The second series, ending at 1 a. m., January 1, Eastern time, is the midnight signal for central time. The third, at 2 a. m., for mountain time, and the fourth, at 3 a. m., for Pacific time.

When it is midnight at Washington, Philadelphia, and New York, it is thus 11 p. m. at Chicago, St. Louis, and New Orleans; 10 p. m. at San Francisco, and 9 p. m. at Honolulu, and 8:30 p. m. at Tutuila. But still farther West, beyond the international date line, it is no longer December 31, but January 1, 2:30 p. m. at Guam and 1 p. m. at Manila. Similarly, it is already January 1, east of the United States; 1 a. m. at San Juan; about 1:30 a. m. on board of the battleships, assuming that they are then about 60 miles east-southeast from Trinidad, and about 2 a. m. with the torpedo flotilla, down near the equator beyond Para.

MIKADO FRIENDLY TO ALL WORLD

Opens Diet in Which Government Has Big Majority.

TOKYO, Dec. 27.—Stress was laid by the Mikado in his speech before the house of peers at the opening of the Japanese diet today on the increasing cordiality of the country's foreign relations.

The houses will reply briefly and formally, and then adjourn for three weeks, after which the session's real business will begin. The government has so overwhelming a majority in the diet that there will hardly be a controversy over fiscal measures. Even in the emigration matter there is no doubt that the government's policy of restriction will be upheld.

A motion of lack of confidence will probably be introduced on account of the proposed increase in taxes, but it will unquestionably be voted down.

Monte Carlo Winnings Couldn't Beautify Wife; Divorce Suit Results

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Success at the gaming tables at Monte Carlo is the cause of the domestic complications of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. T. Hayden, which has reached their climax in the divorce court, a decree having just been granted to Mrs. Hayden.

The Haydens were married in 1897, had lived happily together until the husband won \$50,000 at Monte Carlo. It developed later with his success at Monte Carlo that the wife had been a wife of straw, and that the husband had been a gambler. The wife grew cold, principally because she did not appear to such advantage in the fashionable clothes he was able to provide for her as he thought was necessary to his happiness.

Cortelyou's Daughters Ill, Like Their Father, With Grip



HELEN AND GRACE CORTELYOU.

Daughters of Secretary and Mrs. Cortelyou, Who Are Suffering From an Attack of Grip Contracted During the Christmas Holidays.

Secretary's Children Are Popular In and Out of Cabinet Set.

The two young daughters of Secretary of the Treasury Cortelyou, Grace, aged ten years, and Helen, aged eight years, have contracted the grip, and are spending the post-Christmas season in bed. Neither of the little girls is seriously ill, however, but for several days they will be unable to join their playmates and share their Christmas joys.

Secretary Cortelyou's children are among the most popular little folks of the official set, and have a host of friends in and out of that circle. The two little girls are ideal hostesses to

their young friends, and the attractive home of the Secretary in Bancroft place is the center of attraction for the juvenile set. Mrs. Cortelyou, who long ago established a reputation for being the most confirmed advocate of "home first and society afterward," takes the keenest pleasure in making her own children, and those of other people happy. So it has been no wonder that the Cortelyou home has been a veritable playhouse for the children.

Grace and Helen caught cold several days ago, but it was not until yesterday that they were forced to give up and go to bed. The pleasures of Christmas had done much to keep the minds of the little folks off their colds, but when they became slightly worse the family physician ordered the young daughters of the Secretary straightway to bed.

Secretary Cortelyou was much better today, and it is believed that within the next few days both he and his young daughters will have entirely recovered.

MRS. PAYNE DIES IN CHARLESTON

Brilliant Woman Was
Wife of George M. Payne,
of The Times.

The many Washington friends of Mrs. Virginia Payne, wife of George M. Payne, will be grieved to hear of her death in Charleston, W. Va., last night. The end came after a desperate illness from tuberculosis lasting two years. Mr. Payne was at her bedside when she died.

Mrs. Payne, who, before her marriage to Mr. Payne, was Mrs. Ross Stein, was well known here for her intellectual attainments, and was recognized as one of Washington's cleverest women. Her popularity was unbounded, for, added to her mental charm, she had a disposition that endeared her to all who came in contact with her.

Her maiden name was Cracraft, and her home was in Charleston, W. Va. Her father was a close personal friend of President McKinley, and it was Mr. McKinley who gave her an appointment in the Census Office, which brought her to Washington. Three years ago she married George M. Payne, of the editorial staff of The Washington Times. The couple had one child, George M. Payne, Jr., who is nearly two years old.

ABILITY TO ACT IS NOT AN ASSET

Mrs. Leslie Carter Cannot
Be Held for Success,
Says Judge.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Judge Hough, in the United States district court, yesterday handed down a decision in connection with the bankruptcy of Mrs. Leslie Carter-Payne, which settles some questions of considerable moment to the members of both the dramatic and legal professions, defining as it does whether the ability of an actress to perform certain plays profitably can be considered an asset so far as creditors are concerned.

Incidental to the matter passed on by Judge Hough, interesting light is thrown upon the relations existing between David Belasco and Mrs. Payne subsequent to her marriage.

The decision was handed down as the result of an application made by Hoadley, Lauterbach & Johnson, Mrs. Carter's personal attorneys, asking that Ezra P. Prentice, receiver in bankruptcy for Mrs. Carter, be directed to turn over to Mrs. Carter all the scenery and costumes used in the production of "Zaza" and "Du Barry," and, further, that the court determine that the receiver has no rights in the same, nor in the contract between Mrs. Carter-Payne and Thomas R. Hart relative to the production of "Pedro" and "La Tosca," the two Sardou plays in which she has also been successful.

Judge Hough in his opinion grants the application made by the counsel of the actress, and states that he does not consider the ability of an actress to profitably perform certain plays an asset which a bankruptcy receiver may use for the benefit of the creditors. The plays "Zaza" and "Du Barry," which Mrs. Carter evidently borrowed from Mr. Belasco, the court orders returned to her.

FOLK NEVER WHIPPED, SAYS PROUD MOTHER

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 28.—Governor Folk never was whipped in his life, says his mother, Mrs. Henry Bates Folk, of Brownsville, Tenn., who is here to attend a family reunion of her married daughters.

"Joe liked fairy stories," she said, "and I used to have to take him on my lap and tell him one at bedtime every night. He was a great horseman, too, having many great exciting rides on the horses of the St. Louis stock exchange. He would prove unruly and run away and kick up his heels, and he would call me to catch the runaway."

"I didn't whip any of my children. I believe there are better ways than that of managing little folks, though sometimes a spanking is the quickest remedy to apply to a naughty child."

JAP WITH BROKEN NECK LIVES FOR FOUR DAYS

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28.—After living more than four days with his neck broken, Tatsu Tarakawa, a Japanese cook, who was at various times employed in some of the best known families in this city, died in the German Hospital.

Tarakawa sustained the injury last Saturday when he fell down a stairway at the Japanese hotel, heading No. 6, North Sixteenth street. He was thirty-nine years old.

Gives the People Warning; Also Advises What to Do

Says Few Persons Here Know How to
Treat Themselves in Many of the Simple
Ailments and Gives a Recipe
Which Is Easily Prepared.

More people succumb each year to some form of kidney trouble than any other cause. The slightest form of kidney derangement often develops into Bright's kidney disease, diabetes or dropsy. When either of these diseases are suspected the sufferer should at once seek the best medical attention possible. Consult only a good, first-class physician, leave patent medicines alone.

There are many of the lesser symptoms of kidney trouble which can be treated at home if stated by a well-known authority. For some of these, such as backache, pain in the region of the kidneys, weak bladder, frequency, (especially at night), painful urination, and other urinary troubles, try the following simple home remedy: Fluid Extract Dandelion one-half ounce, Compound Kargon one ounce.

Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces. These simple ingredients are harmless and can be obtained at any good prescription pharmacy and anyone can mix them by shaking well in a bottle. The dose for adults is a teaspoonful after each meal and again at bedtime.

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